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For: FIXING ASSEMBLY COMPRISING

A PEG AND A SLEEVE

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 22, 2008 OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:

This Amendment is filed in reply to the Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 22, 2008 in connection with the above-identified patent application. The September 22, 2008 Office Action provided a period of 3 months in which to file a response. i.e., by December 22, 2008. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.